

*"I've taken my family planning work into my own life. I had two children, both girls, and they each have only two children as well. This is the way nurse-midwives can make the greatest impact when counseling their clients and supervising village dais."*

Initial results have been encouraging. When MACRO International assessed the impact of training 1,200 *dais* in eight blocks of the Sitapur and Agra districts, more than half the trained *dais* were able to identify high-risk pregnancy conditions (up from 11% the previous year). Nearly 21,000 deliveries had been attended by trained *dais* (up from 6,500), and 28% of the *dais* were offering family planning services (up from 4%). In the two

